

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: RESIN PIPE, PRODUCTION THEREOF, BASE FOR PHOTOSENSITIVE DRUMS, AND
PHOTOSENSITIVE DRUM CONSTRUCTED FROM SAID BASE

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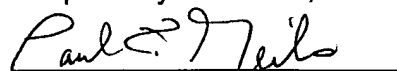
Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application. One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits that reference is mentioned in the "Background" section of the specification on page 2, beginning at line 5. Applicant also encloses an English-language Abstract for the cited reference.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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